

## **Examples of Committee Work For the Alternate Assessment Program**

### **Alternate Assessment Advisory Committee**

The Alternate Assessment Advisory Committee meets several times a year to review and provide feedback to the Department of Education on alternate assessment development and implementation.

### **PACT-Alt Rangefinding Committee** (June 1-3, 2005)

Range finding is a critical component of the PACT-Alt scoring process. Educators from South Carolina will review approximately 300 portfolios to identify examples that represent the various performance and program support levels. These examples will be used to provide scorers with clear examples of how South Carolina educators rate the various performance and program support levels.

### **New Alternate Assessment Development**

Some committee task groups will be established to assist with development of the new alternate assessment.

- ❑ **Item/prototype Review**  
These committees will review prototypes of items before and after piloting and field testing regarding comprehensibility, feasibility, and scorability.
- ❑ **Pilot items**  
Individual teachers will pilot/tryout prototype items with students and provide feedback on directions, materials, ease of administration, and general qualities of the item.
- ❑ **Field test items**  
Individual teachers will administer test items to students.
- ❑ **Focus groups**  
Groups of teachers, parents, and administrators will respond to structured questions about the items and procedures.

### **Other Committees**

- ❑ **Bias and content review committees** review items and tasks relative to appropriateness for all students.
- ❑ **Standard setting committees** determine performance levels for assessments.
- ❑ **Standard alignment committees** review items in relation to linkage to the state standards.